Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the instant application:

1.   (Currently amended) A method of aiding a visual search in a list of learnable speech commands comprising:

presenting a display list of speech commands to a user;

monitoring whether the user has uttered one of said commands;

measuring an evidentiary value related to the utterance of said uttered one of said commands, wherein said measuring comprises determining an initial time that a previous utterance uttered by the user ended, determining a succeeding time that the utterance of said uttered one of said commands started, and computing a time elapsed between the initial and succeeding times, said evidentiary value being the time elapsed between the end of a previous utterance and the start of the utterance of said uttered one of said commands;

comparing the measured evidentiary value to a programmed value; to determine if an adjustment criteria has been satisfied; and

adjusting the display for said uttered one of said commands;

wherein a saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced in response to the evidentiary value meeting the adjustment criteria, and wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased in response to the evidentiary value not meeting the adjustment criteria

if the measured evidentiary value is less than the programmed value, decreasing a salience of the command; and

<u>if the measured evidentiary value is equal to or greater than the programmed value, maintaining the salience of the command unchanged or increasing the salience of the command.</u>

2.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by lightening the display of the uttered one of said commands.

3.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by moving the uttered one of said commands down the display list of commands.

4.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by darkening the display of the uttered one of said commands.

5.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by moving the uttered one of said commands up the display list of commands.

6.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by darkening all of the display list of commands except the uttered one of said commands.

7.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by lightening all of the display list of commands except the uttered one of said commands.

8.   (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the display list of commands is selected from a list of spelling commands or a list of help commands.

9.   (Cancelled).

10.   (Currently Amended) A machine-readable storage having stored thereon, a computer program having a plurality of code sections, said code sections executable by a machine for causing the machine to perform the steps of:

presenting a display list of speech commands to a user;

monitoring whether the user has uttered one of said commands;

measuring an evidentiary value related to the utterance of said uttered one of said commands, wherein said measuring comprises determining an initial time that a previous utterance uttered by the user ended, determining a succeeding time that the utterance of said uttered one of said commands started, and computing a time elapsed between the initial and succeeding times, said evidentiary value being the time elapsed between the end of the previous utterance and the start of the utterance of said uttered one of said commands;

comparing the <u>measured</u> evidentiary value to a programmed value<u>;</u> to determine if an adjustment criteria has been satisfied; and

adjusting the display for said uttered one of said commands,

wherein a saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced in response to the evidentiary value meeting the adjustment criteria, and wherein the

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~~saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased in response to~~

~~the evidentiary value not meeting the adjustment criteria~~

if the measured evidentiary value is less than the programmed value, decreasing a salience of the command; and

if the measured evidentiary value is equal to or greater than the programmed value, maintaining the salience of the command unchanged or increasing the salience of the command.

11.   (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by moving the uttered one of said commands down the display list of commands.

12.   (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by moving the uttered one of said commands down the display list of commands.

13.   (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by darkening the display of the uttered one of said commands.

14.   (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by moving the uttered one of said commands up the display list of commands.

15.   (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by darkening all of the display list of commands except the uttered one of said commands.

16.   (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by lightening all of the display list of commands except the uttered one of said commands.

17.   (Original) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the display list of commands is selected from a list of spelling commands or a list of help commands.

18.   (Cancelled).

19.   (Currently Amended) A speech recognition system comprising a computer programmed for:

        presenting a display list of speech commands to a user, wherein said list of commands includes a list of learnable speech commands;

        monitoring whether the user has uttered one of said commands;

        measuring an evidentiary value related to the utterance of said uttered one of said commands, wherein said measuring comprises determining an initial time that a previous utterance uttered by the user ended, determining a succeeding time that the utterance of said uttered one of said commands started, and computing a time elapsed between the initial and succeeding times, said evidentiary value being the time elapsed between the end of the previous utterance and the start of the utterance of said uttered one of said commands;

comparing the measured evidentiary value to a programmed value; ~~to determine if an adjustment criteria has been satisfied; and~~

~~adjusting the display for said uttered one of said commands,~~

~~wherein a saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced in response to the evidentiary value meeting the adjustment criteria, and wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased in response to the evidentiary value not meeting the adjustment criteria~~

if the measured evidentiary value is less than the programmed value, decreasing a salience of the command; and

if the measured evidentiary value is equal to or greater than the programmed value, maintaining the salience of the command unchanged or increasing the salience of the command.

20.   (Previously Presented)   The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by lightening the display of the uttered one of said commands.

21.   (Previously Presented)   The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by moving the uttered one of said commands down the display list of commands.

22.   (Previously Presented)   The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by darkening the display of the uttered one of said commands.

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23.   (Previously Presented) The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by moving the uttered one of said commands up the display list of commands.

24.   (Previously Presented) The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by darkening all of the display list of commands except the uttered one of said commands.

25.   (Previously Presented) The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is increased by lightening all of the display list of commands except the uttered one of said commands.

26.   (Previously Presented) The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the display list of commands is selected from a list of spelling commands or a list of help commands.

27.   (Cancelled).

28.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by moving the uttered one of said commands from the display list of commands to an inactive location.

29.   (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage of Claim 10, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by moving the uttered one of said commands from the display list of commands to an inactive location.

30.   (Previously Presented) The speech recognition system of Claim 19, wherein the saliency of the display of said uttered one of said commands is reduced by removing said uttered one of said commands from the display list of commands to an inactive location.